

## CLAIMS

1. A flashlight mount for a rifle having a barrel and a mounting rail coupled to the barrel, the flashlight mount comprising:

5 a frame having a bore for receiving a flashlight;

said frame defining:

a substantially flattened bottom surface, and

a base for mounting along the mounting rail;

10 said base being distanced from the frame, creating a finger-receiving aperture therebetween.

2. The flashlight mount according to claim 1, wherein said base is coupled to said frame by at least one bridge element for distancing said base from the frame.

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3. The flashlight mount according to claim 1, wherein said frame includes a plurality of bottom-flattened rings around the bore.

4. The flashlight mount according to claim 2, wherein said frame includes  
20 a plurality of bottom-flattened rings around the bore.

5. The flashlight mount according to claim 1, wherein said frame includes an outwardly extending flange at each end of said frame.

25 6. The flashlight mount according to claim 2, wherein said frame includes an outwardly extending flange at each end of said frame.

7. The flashlight mount according to claim 5, wherein each said flange has a substantially flat bottom.

8. The flashlight mount according to claim 3, wherein said frame includes an outwardly extending flange at each end of said frame.

5 9. The flashlight mount according to claim 8, wherein each said flange has a substantially flat bottom.

10 10. The flashlight mount according to claim 1, wherein said base is mounted along the mounting rail at an adjustable location.

11. The flashlight mount according to claim 1, further comprising means for locking said base at a selected location along the mounting rail.

15 12. The flashlight mount according to claim 2, further comprising means for locking said base at a selected location along the mounting rail.

13. The flashlight mount according to claim 5, further comprising means for locking said base at a selected location along the mounting rail.

20 14. The flashlight mount according to claim 1, wherein said bore is a throughgoing bore.

15. The flashlight mount according to claim 2, wherein said bore is a throughgoing bore.

16. A method for mounting a flashlight on a rifle having a barrel and a mounting rail coupled to the barrel, the method comprising:

preparing a frame, said frame defining a substantially flattened bottom surface and a base for mounting the frame along the mounting rail;

5 creating a bore for receiving a flashlight in said frame; and

distancing said base from the frame, thereby creating a finger-receiving aperture therebetween.